(e). The likely foreign exchange earning from tourists during April-September, 1992 is Rs. 1570 crores.

## Power Sets Commissioned during Seventh Plan

\*468. SHRIMATISUSEELA GOPALAN: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of 200 MW and 500 MW thermal sets commissioned in the country during the seventh Five Year Plan:
- (b) the number of sets supplied by the BHEL out of them and the number of those imported: and
- (c) the average cost per MW of capacity (in Indian rupee), for the sets supplied by BHEL as compared to the imported sets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CON-VENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). During the 7th Plan period, 11 Thermal Units of 500 MW capacity and 39 Thermal Units of 210 MW were commissioned. Out of these, 2 Units of 500 MW and 8 Units of 210 MW were imported. The rest were of indigenous make and were supplied by BHEL expcept in 3 cases of 210 MW Units where the boilers. though indigenous, were not supplied by BHLL but by ABL.

(c) The average capital cost/MW of reaparity commissioned during the 7th Plan period is indicated below:-

' Imported Indiaenous (Rs. lakhs) (Rs. lakhs) 108.1 103.5

As regards 500 MW sets, the indig-

enous sets commissioned during the 7th Plan period are in configuration with 210 MW indigenous sets and the total project cost includes the costs of sets of both ratings and., therefore, the cost/MW of 500 MW sets of indigenous and Imported sets are not comparable.

## S.T.D. Facility

469 SHRI DATTATRAYA BANDARU: SHR CHETAN P.S CHAUHAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to provide STD facility to more areas of Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Guiarat:
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) If not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) It is proposed to provide NSD to all the exchanges by the end of 8th Five Year Plan.
  - (c) Does not arise.

## Chasnala colliery

5097, SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Chasnala Colliery in Dhanbad continues to pose hazards of mining:
  - (b) if sq, reasons therefor:

- (c) whether any concrete safety measures along with a modernisation plan have been drawn up for the colliery:
  - (d) if ao, the broad features thereof; and
  - (e) If not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE

MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b), the management of Chasnalia Colliery Complex has taken all safety measures, required statutoritly and other-wise, for the safety of workers (and they will continue to be taken). As a result. there has been a significant reduction in the number of accidents in the complex. Details of reduction in number of accidents over the past two years are given below:

| <i>year</i>       | Fatal<br>Accidents | Serious<br>Accidents | Reportable<br>Accidents |
|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1990              | Nil                | 13                   | 100                     |
| 1991              | 1                  | 7                    | 47                      |
| 1992(Upto<br>Feb) | Nil                | 3                    | 7                       |

- (c) and (d), the Chasnalla Underground Mine, work on development of which is on, has hazards of water inundation, gassiness and roof and/or side wall collapse. Necessary preventive measures/steps like drilling of bore holes for tapping water from old workings, environmental telemonitoring of ventilation system and use of hydraulic supports, etc. have been taken in the mine...
- (e) Does not arise. 1/7. 15 \* 1

**Buddhist Tourist Centres in Bihar** 

5098. SHRI BARE LALJATAY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any scheme was formulated to develop Buddhist tourist Centres in Bihar with the assistance of Japan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and since when the work on these schemes is going on and the stage of work at present;

- (c) whether the work of these schemes is being delayed; and
  - (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHIR MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). A Loan agreement was signed between the Government of India and the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund of Japan on 15th December, 1988 for an integrated development of infrastructure facilities on the identified Buddhist Travel circuit in UP and Bihar at a total project cost of Rs. 220. 43 crores out of which Japanese assistance of 9. 244 bullion Yen (approximately Rs. 100 crores) would be made available by the OECF. The main components of the project are development of National and State Highways, construction of hotels and wayside amenities, landscaping, augmentation of water and electricity supply, import of cars and coaches and augmentation of